

## **Anne Elizabeth Dunn Harris, 79**

Anne Elizabeth Dunn Harris passed away Sunday, Nov. 13, in Portland, ME from complications of pancreatic cancer. She was born Dec. 16, 1936 in Orange, NJ, the youngest child of Ruth Katharine Haass and Edward Lee Dunn. She was raised in Montclair, NJ, where she graduated from high school.

She returned to her New England roots by attending Endicott Junior College and Boston University. At BU, she achieved her bachelor's degree in Mass Communications and met her future husband, James G. Harris. The two were married in Truro, MA. They spent the first eight years of married life in South Portland, ME Anne worked briefly at 560 WGAN-AM radio before their children were born. In 1969, the family moved to Duxbury.

Anne loved books, music and gardening. She encouraged her children to explore music, art and literature. Lifelong friendships were made through her enjoyment of playing bridge. As the children grew, she became a volunteer at the Duxbury schools with focus on music events. Her adoration of animals was portrayed through her volunteer work with the New England Wildlife Center and devotion to numerous pets through the years.

Anne translated her avid book reading to a career as a bookseller. Starting with Westwinds Bookshop in Duxbury, she relished being surrounded by books and meeting fellow reading enthusiasts. Working at several independent book shops, she wrapped up her working days at Main Street Books in Orleans, MA.

Summers were spent on or near the water, from boating on Casco Bay with her family and later in Duxbury and Pamet Harbors. Swimming, sailing and time on the beach were lifelong enjoyments. Anne and her husband, Jim, retired to Truro, MA, where they built a home overlooking Pamet Harbor and Cape Cod Bay.

Anne is survived by her beloved husband of 57 years, Jim Harris; three children, Sandra Harris Gilley and her husband, Chad of South Portland, ME; James W. Harris and his wife, Izumi Omori of Niiza, Japan; and Laura Harris Atkinson and her husband, Don of Pasadena, CA; four grandchildren, Chris, James, Beckett and Maia; three siblings, Ruth Dunn Laidlaw of Bedminster, NJ, Edward Lee Dunn and his wife, Melva of Andreas, PA and Richard Lombard Dunn and his wife, Regina of Lancaster, PA and many dear nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Cape Cod Healthcare Foundation (VNA of Cape Cod), P.O. Box 370, Hyannis, MA 02601.